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ciety of Natural History, 24 Aug., 1880, from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M. During the meeting of the American Association a room will be constantly open for the exclusive use of the entomologists.

— The appropriations by Congress at the last session was $150,000 for the U. S. Geological Survey (it asked $390,000); $25,000 for the U. S. Entomological Commission; $20,000 for the Bureau of Ethnology under the control of the Smithsonian Institution; $8000 was also appropriated for the publication of Dr. Emil Bessel's report on the scientific results of the Polaris Expedition. This will make two quarto volumes, with an abundance of illustrations.

— The summer school of Zoölogy of the Johns Hopkins University, Dr. S. F. Clarke, Director, opened in July, near the mouth of Chesapeake bay, for a session of six weeks. This need not be confounded with the laboratory established by Dr. Brooks at Beaufort, N. C.

— The Permanent Exposition of Philadelphia gave an entertainment on the 5th of July, in which about 30,000 persons participated. It netted about $7000, most of which, we understand, is to be devoted to the uses of the Natural History Departments.

— The American Association for the Advancement of Science will open at Boston, August 25th. The attendance will undoubtedly be large, and the meeting one of unusual interest.

— Prof. D. T. Ansted, an industrious geological writer, author among other books of a Physical Geography, died May 13. He was born in 1814.

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SELECTED ARTICLES IN SCIENTIFIC SERIALS.

JOURNAL OF THE ROYAL MICROSCOPICAL SOCIETY.—June. On a parasitic sponge of the order Calcarea, by P. M. Duncan. The genus Ravenelia, by M. C. Cooke. On the double and treble staining of animal tissues for microscopical investigations, by H. Gibbes. On the illumination of objects under the higher powers of the microscope, by J. Smith. The record of current researches relating to invertebrate animals, cryptogamous plants and microscopy are full and most useful.

JOURNAL OF CONCHOLOGY.—January. This number, just received, contains but one article, a catalogue of the Polynesian Mitridæ, with remarks on their geographical range, station, and descriptions of supposed new species, by A. Garrett.

AMERICAN ENTOMOLOGIST.—June and July. Contains notices of the white grub fungus, and an article on the true and bogus Yucca moth, with remarks on the pollination of Yucca, by C. V. Riley, while the July number gives a fully illustrated article on the method of pupation of certain butterflies, by the same.